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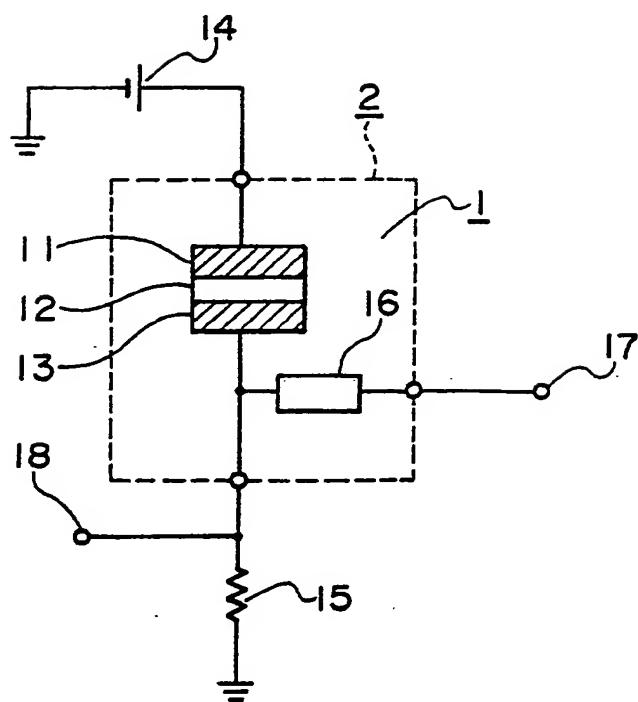
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54 **Switching device.**

57 A switching device is characterized by having a periodical layer structure of an organic insulator between a pair of electrodes and having memorizability with respect to switching characteristics. The layer

structure is formed of an amphiphilic compound according to the LB method.

FIG. 1





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